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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of the non-U.S. patent documents is enclosed.

U.S. Publication No. 2002-0059362  
Japan 11-127330  
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Japan 11-112765  
Japan 11-065963  
Japan 06-350773  
Japan 10-200579  
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These documents were cited during prosecution of a Japanese application corresponding to the above-identified application. A copy of a Japanese Office Action dated April 26, 2005 is enclosed.

English language abstracts for each of the foregoing Japanese documents have been located and are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for each of these documents is believed to be satisfied by the enclosed English abstracts. See MPEP § 609.

It is noted that U.S. Publication 2002-0059362 is an English language counterpart of Japan 11-065963 and therefore, the concise explanation of relevance for the non-English language document is believed to be satisfied by the U.S. counterpart.

Inasmuch as the present application has received an Office Action on the merits, but has not yet received any of a final Office Action, a Notice Of Allowance, or an action that otherwise close prosecution of the application, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c). Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee set forth at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to make an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the accompanying Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed copy to Applicant with the next communication.

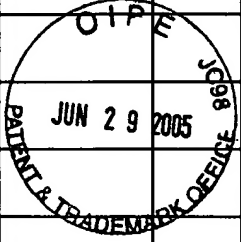
Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,  
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Respectfully submitted,

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